

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

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DATE

September 29, 2021

MOTOR CARRIER MATTER

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DOCKET NO.

2021-3-E

UTILITIES MATTER

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ORDER NO.

**SUBJECT:**

DOCKET NO. 2021-3-E - Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (For Potential Increase or Decrease in Fuel Adjustment and Gas Adjustment) - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration Final Disposition of Duke Energy Carolina, LLC's Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

I move that the Commission find that the fuel purchasing practices and policies, plant operations, fuel inventory management, and all other matters associated with S.C. Code Section 58-27-865 conducted by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC during the review period were reasonable and prudent. After review of the audit and verification of expenses and account balances performed by the Office of Regulatory Staff, I move the Commission accept and approve the rates and charges proposed by DEC in this proceeding.

The base fuel cost component shall be 1.8123 cents per kWh for all customer classes.

The total fuel factors shall be as follows:

- 1.9607 cents per kWh for Residential Customers
- 1.9255 cents per kWh for General Service and Lighting Customers
- 1.8881 cents per kWh for Industrial Customers

The resulting change would be an increase of approximately \$3.53 per month for a residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month, or approximately three percent.

I move the Commission generally adopt the recommendations of ORS regarding the Company's annual fuel filings, as presented by ORS Witness Sandonato.

I further move that the Commission require Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC to base its testimony in future fuel dockets on a fuel forecast prepared within thirty days of the prefiling deadline for testimony as recommended by the South Carolina Energy Users Committee. **If DEC cannot base its forecasts on such information, then DEC must advise and explain to the Commission why as part of its testimony and the best available forecasting data then should be used.** So moved, Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDING: J. WilliamsSESSION: RegularTIME: 11:00 a.m.

MOTION YES NO OTHER

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